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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A composition, pharmaceutical composition, vaccine and method for the treatment of disseminated candidiasis due to infection by *C. albicans*. The composition includes phosphomannan of *C. albicans*, peptide mimotopes of phosphomannan epitopes, or polynucleotides encoding the peptide mimotopes. Monoclonal antibodies for use in passive immunization against candida infections are also provided.